

2019 Annual Action Plan Draft

October 1, 2019 to September 30, 2020

Community Development Block Grant
HOME Investment Partnerships
Emergency Solutions Grant
Housing Opportunities for Persons With Aids



City of Buffalo

Hon. Byron W. Brown, Mayor
June 20 , 2019-Draft Summary

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Welcome

Annual Action Plan Review Hearing Year 45 HUD Federal Entitlement Funds

Rashika Hall
HUD Grants Program Manager

Brendan Mehaffy
Executive Director

AGENDA


1. Housekeeping Items
2. Review of AAP process to date
3. Welcome to Host Site
4. 311
5. Outreach & Survey Data
6. Program Outlines
7. Overview of Entitlement Grants
8. Review Presentation for Year 45 Annual Action Plan (2019-2020)
 - ❖ Roundtable Recap
 - ❖ Project Proposals
 - ❖ Q & A
9. Presentation of Annual Action Plan Amendments
10. Adjournment

Housekeeping



Comments & Questions

- ▶ Welcome, please sign in!
- ▶ If you'd like to comment, or ask a question please place an "X" next to your name on the sign in sheet so that you may be announced.
- ▶ Hold all questions and/or comments until Q & A section. Utilize post-it pads for notes & anonymous ?

		Annual Action Plan Public Formulation Hearing 6/29/2016 6pm-7:30pm Metro CDC 877 E. Delavan Avenue, Buffalo, 14215 Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning			Enter "X" to comment /question this evening
Print Full Name	Address	Email	Phone		
John Doe	777 Merry Lane	jdoe@email.com	716-000-0000	X	

Annual Action Plan...

Where are we in the process?

March 14, 2019

Community Roundtable & Formulation Hearing #1
Lt. Matt Urban Human Services Center

April 11th, 2019

Community Roundtable & Formulation Hearing #2
Delavan-Grider Community Center

June 27, 2019-TONIGHT

Last Public Hearing/Review Hearing #3
The Father Belle Center



**Executive
Director
Ms. Lucy
Candelario**



Thank you!!!

The Belle Community Center for hosting, who since 1997 has received **\$877,109.84** in HUD Entitlement funding for capital improvements, programs and/or services conducted in this facility.



**Councilman
David A. Rivera**

*Common Council
Majority Leader
&
Friend of Belle*

Introduction of Experts

- ▶ Ms. Tremeeeka Norman- *Deputy Housing Director, BURA, Housing*
- ▶ Ms. Leslie Vishwanath- *Sr. Loan Administrator, BURA, Housing*
- ▶ Mr. Antwan Diggs- *Program Coordinator, BURA, Crime Prevention*
- ▶ Ms. Sue Lumadue- *Sr. Human Resources Planner, City, Comm. Serv.*
- ▶ Mr. Sean Tulumello- *Human Resources Planner, City, Comm. Serv.*
- ▶ Ms. Holly McNamara - *Demolition Coordinator, BURA, Permits & Inspection Serv.*
- ▶ Mr. Francisco Guzman- *Deputy Commissioner of Bldg, City, Public Works*



“Where one call does it all!”

Concerns accepted tonight by Mr. Quinton McClain



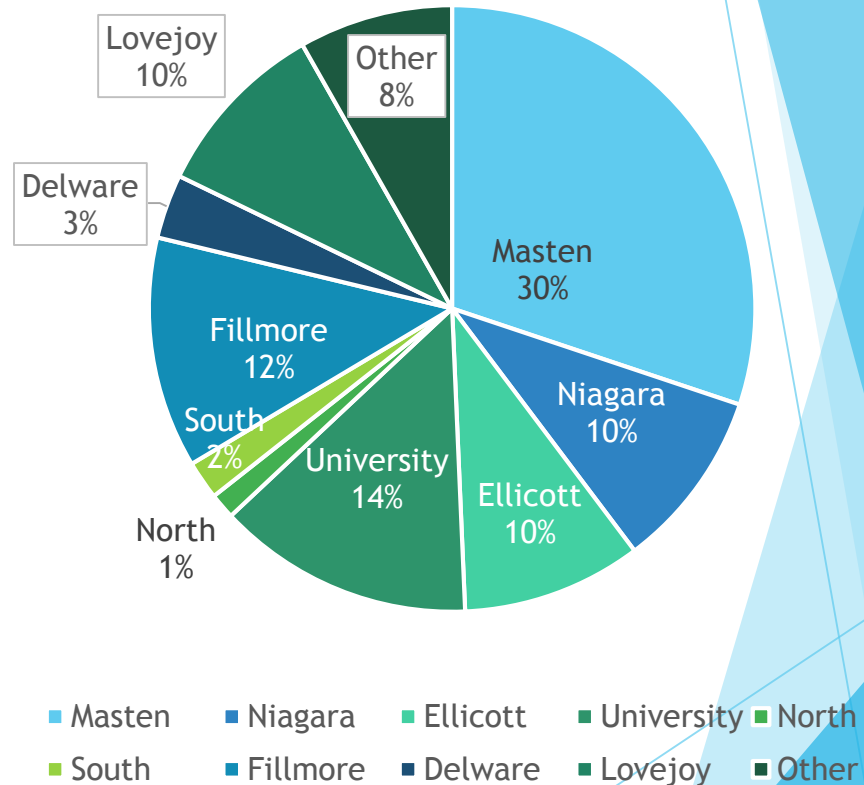
Survey Data Collection

Shan Heben;
June 27, 2019

Districts

- Our largest participation group is from the Masten District.
- The “other” is people who have participated and are not from Buffalo or did not specify their District.

Where's My Council District

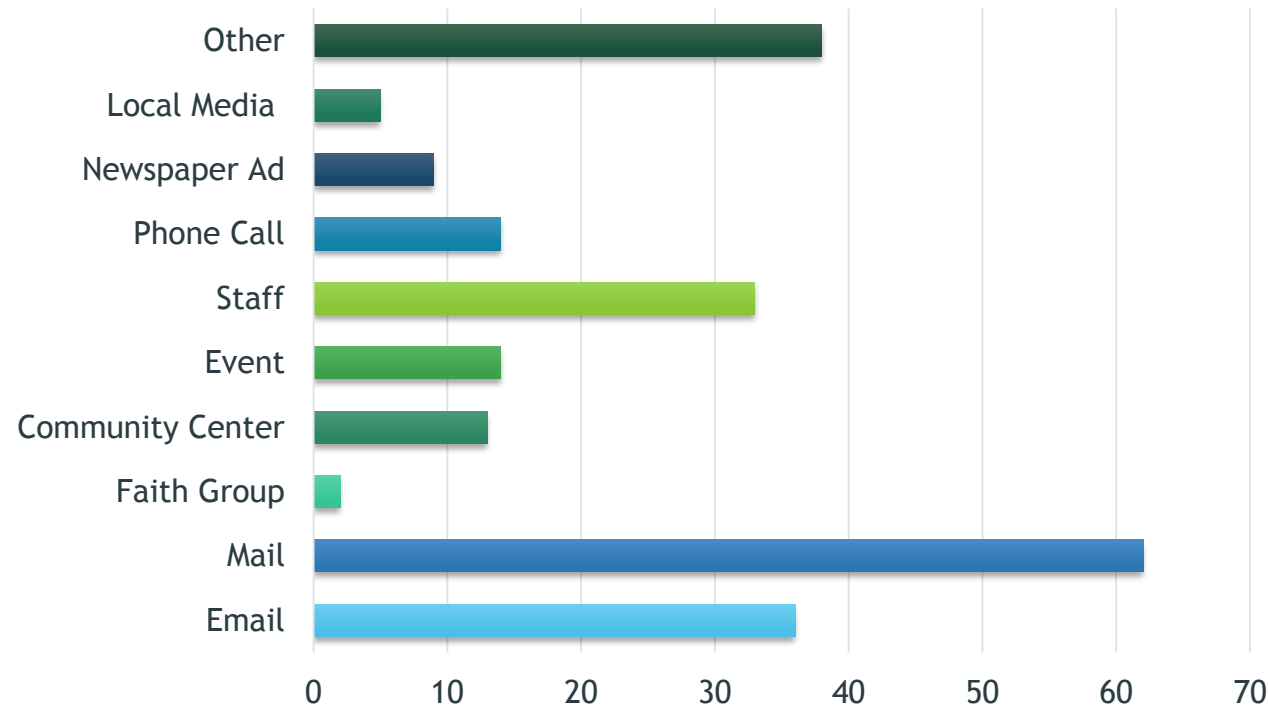


Outreach Efforts

- ❑ Phone Calls Made : 1436
- ❑ Emails Sent : 6042
- ❑ Mailed flyer : 3845
- ❑ Public Notices; Buffalo News, Panorama Hispano, Challenger, and Criterion, Government Channel
- ❑ Websites: City of Buffalo, Buffalo Urban Renewal Agency
- ❑ Community engagements
 - ❑ Community Meetings :12
 - ❑ Personally invited 391
 - ❑ Clean Sweeps : Touched 1517 Homes

AAP Survey Results

How did you hear about the Community Roundtable Discussion



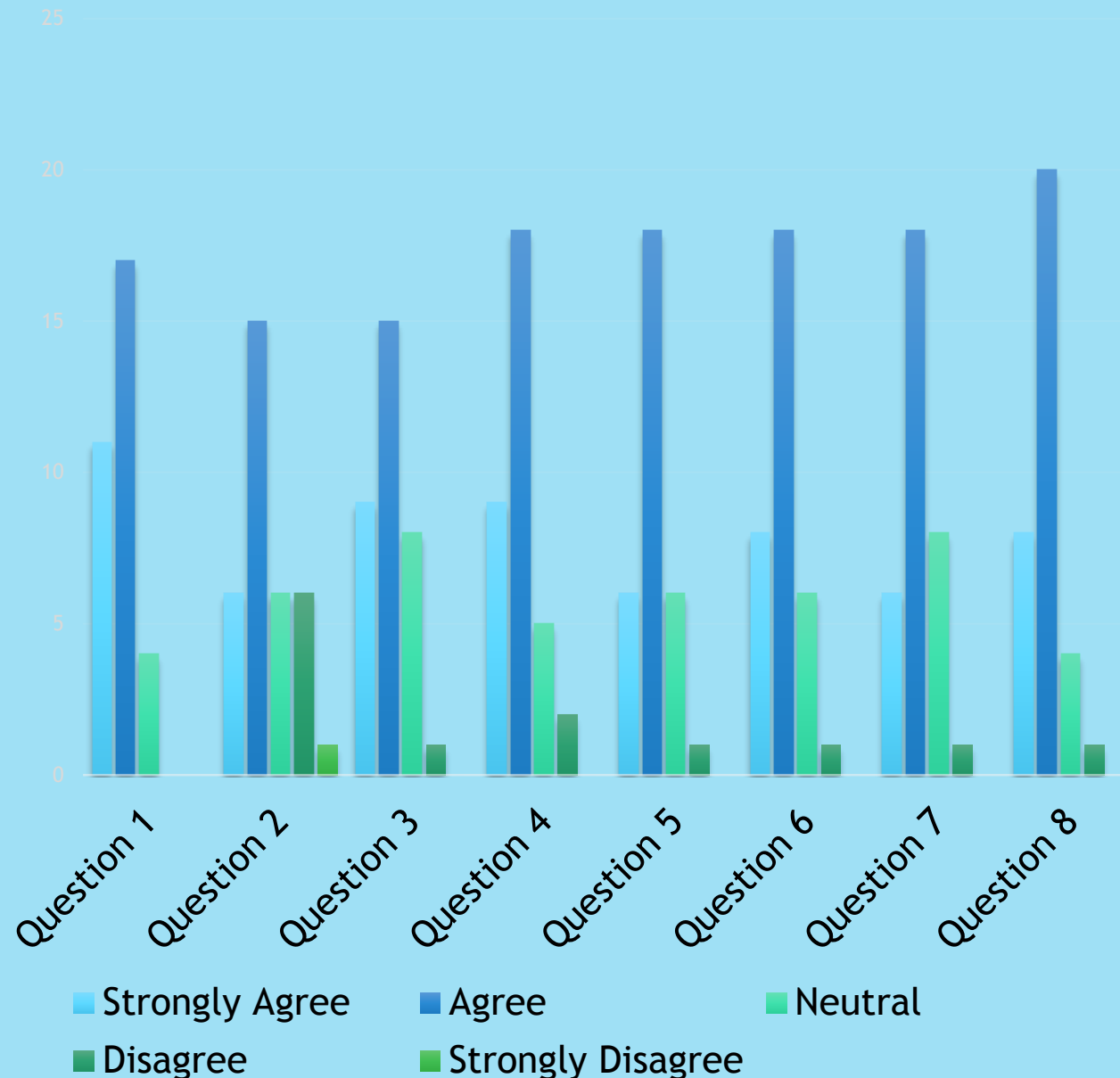
	Email	Mail	Faith Group	Comm unity Center	Event	Staff	Phone Call	Newsp aper Ad	Local Media	Other
Series1	36	62	2	13	14	33	14	9	5	38

Email
Community Center
Phone Call
Other
Mail
Newspaper Ad
Faith Group
Event
Staff
Local Media

- The most popular out reach is the mailing system
- The “Other” could be community meetings or face to face contact either from a friend or neighbor
- Feel free to leave a comment of how to further our outreach

Roundtable Evaluation

3/14/2019

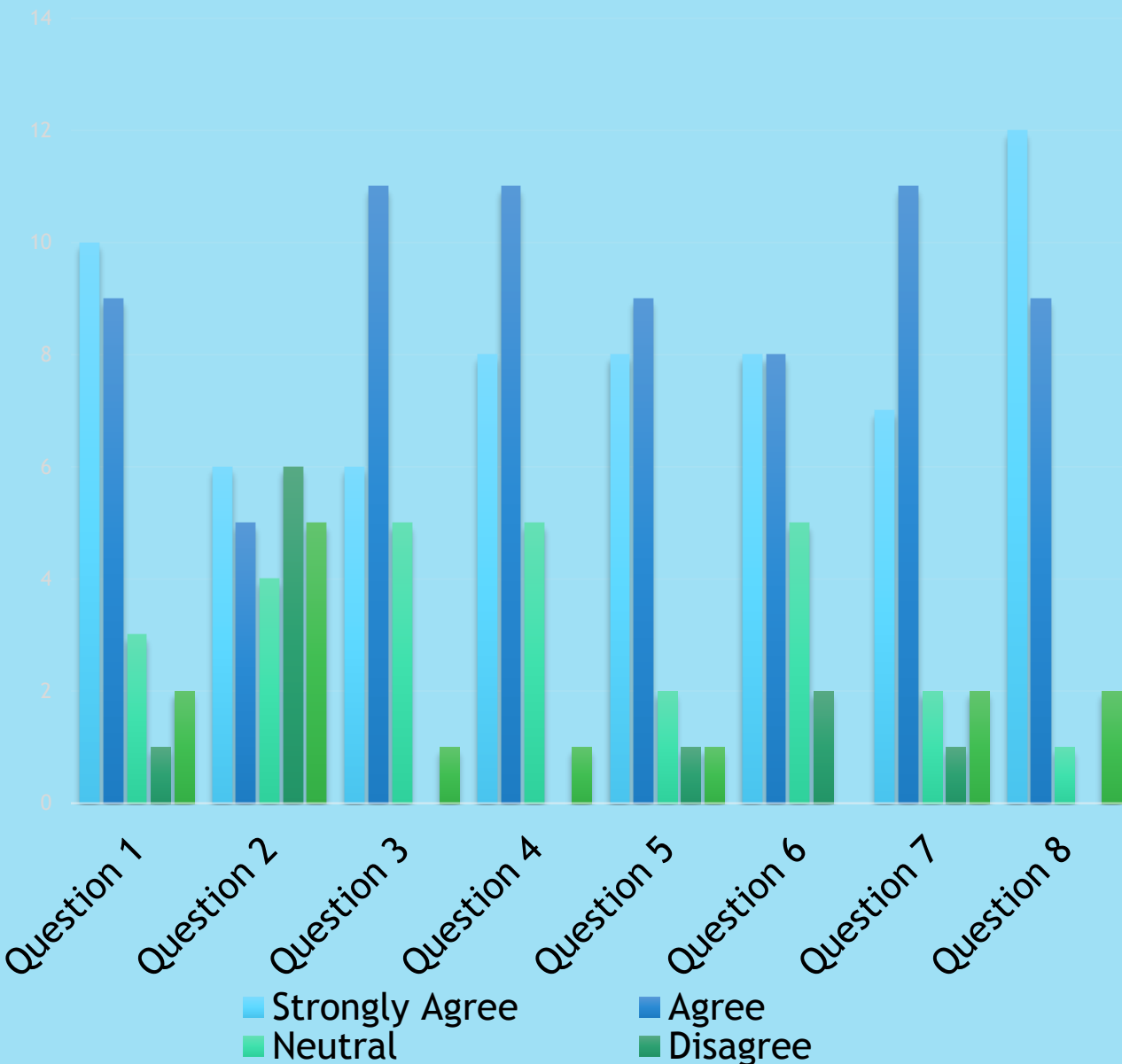


Evaluation Questions

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Roundtable Evaluation

4/11/2019



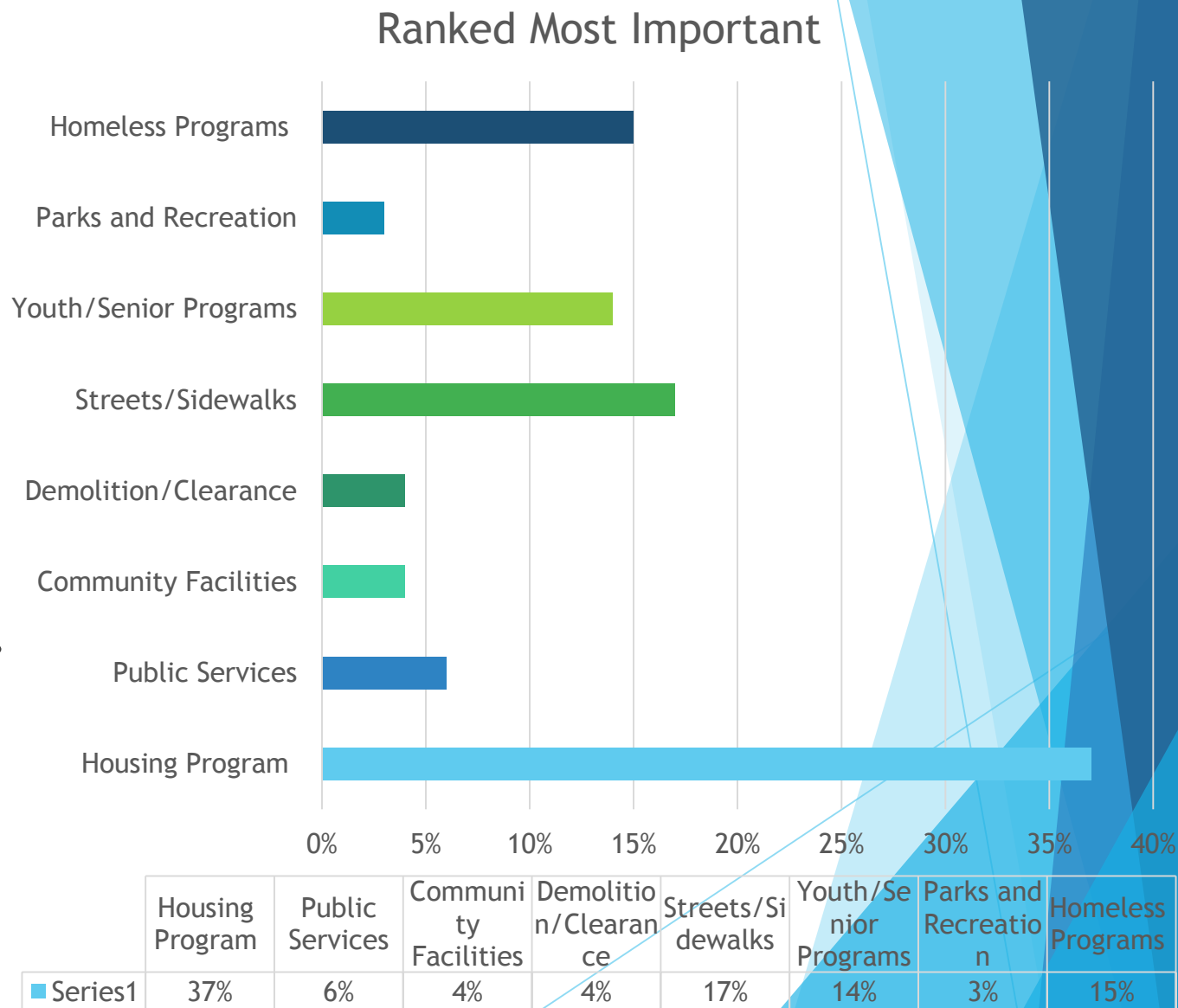
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Most Important vs. Least Important

□ The area ranked as most important was Housing and would like HUD funds to continue focusing on this program.

□ Followed by Streets/
Sidewalks



Wrapping it up

- ❑ If you have any questions or suggestions feel free to call or email
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 - ❑ Rhall@city-buffalo.com
 - ❑ Shan Heben: Vista Member
 - ❑ 716-851-6578
 - ❑ Sheben@city-buffalo.com

FOUR ENTITLEMENT PROGRAMS

1. CDBG- Community Development Block Grant
2. HOME- HOME Investment Partnerships
3. ESG- Emergency Solutions Grant
4. HOPWA- Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS

Representing
\$18,673,275.00*

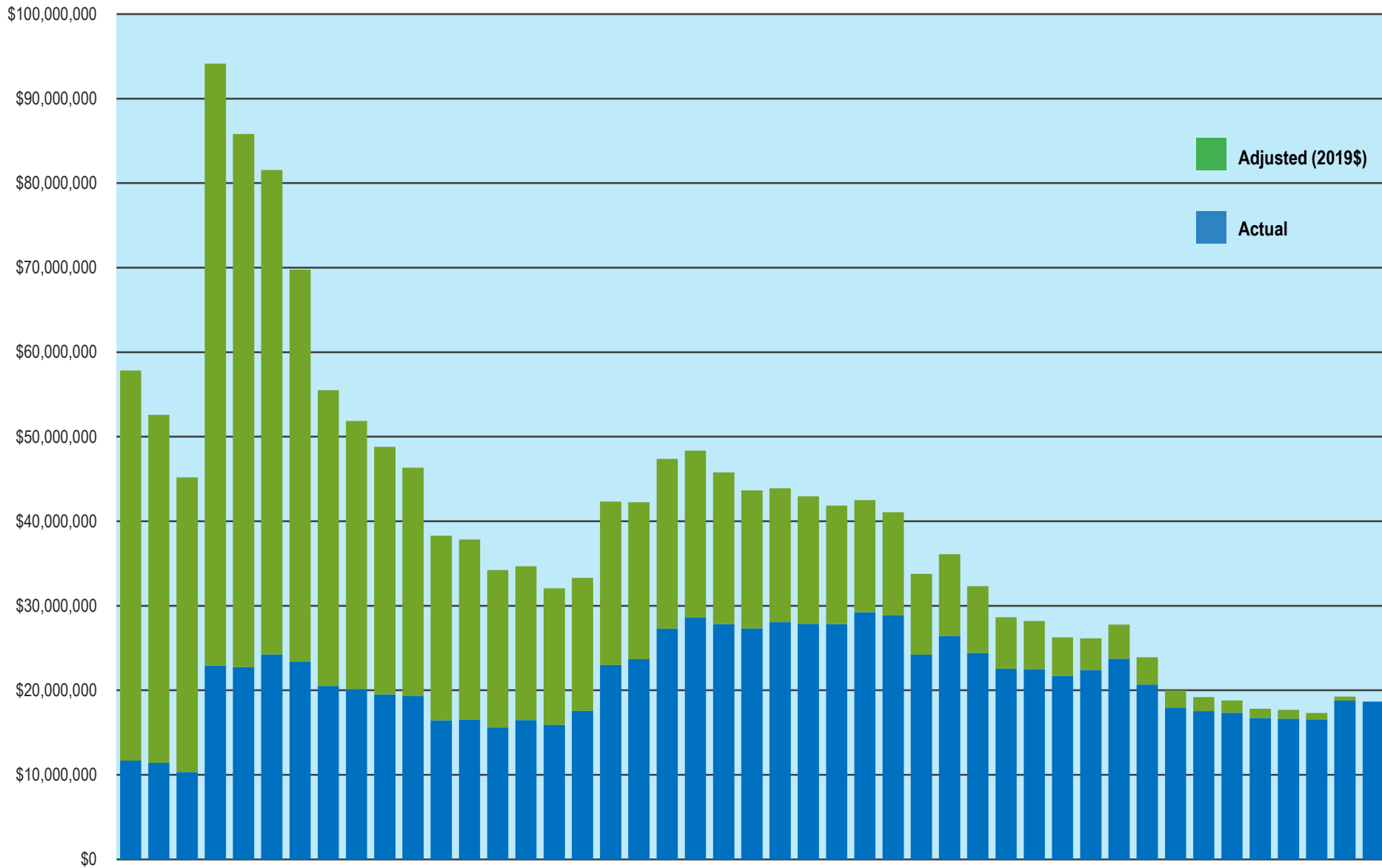
*Actual 2019 Allocation has not yet been received.

ALLOCATIONS-Past & Present

	2016/2017	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020*
TOTAL	\$16,653,088	\$16,552,895	\$18,766,616	\$18,673,275
CDBG	12,543,125	12,480,174	13,677,706	13,706,335
HOME	2,414,585	2,307,774	3,255,279	3,007,593
ESG	1,137,467	1,129,225	1,123,496	1,160,583
HOPWA	557,911	635,722	720,135	798,764

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FUNDING: 1975 to 2019



OVERALL FUNDING \$ 20,411,124*

Represents an overall EN funding decrease of \$103,341 compared to last year.



Community Development Block Grant \$13,706,335

CDBG program income \$1,000,000



\$3,007,593

HOME program income
\$1,175,216

* Includes anticipated program income

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Emergency Solutions Grant

\$1,175,216



\$798,764

* Includes Program Income

An increase of
\$78,629

\$798,764



- Provide housing assistance and related supportive services for persons living with HIV/AIDS and their families.
- Distributed directly to local non-profits to provide both permanent and short-term housing assistance and other supportive services.
- Not available for construction or renovation of facilities.
- Allocations made based on applications submitted to, and reviewed by, the City.
- Up to 3% of grant may be used for program administration.

An increase of
\$37,087

ESG 
\$1,160,583

Maximum of 60%
of Grant can be
used for shelter
& outreach.

- Help to prevent homelessness, and address the housing and supportive service needs of homeless individuals and families.
- Distributed directly to local non-profits to provide street outreach, emergency shelter, prevention services, and rapid rehousing.
- Not available for construction or renovation of facilities.
- Allocations made based on applications submitted to and reviewed by Continuum of Care Committee.
- Up to 7.5% of grant may be used for program administration.



A decrease of
\$247,686

\$3,007,593*

- Supports the construction and rehabilitation of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income renters and homeowners.
- Distributed by RFP to developers and non-profits seeking to construct or renovate affordable housing.
- Proposals are reviewed by BURA to determine readiness of development and amount of outside funding being leveraged.
- At least 15% of grant must be set aside for use by Community Housing Development Organizations – CHDOs.
- Up to 10% of grant may be used for program administration.

*without program income

An increase of
\$28,629



\$13,706,335*

- Assist with the development of viable communities by providing decent, affordable housing; a suitable living environment; and economic opportunities for persons with low- and moderate incomes, or lower.
- *At least 70%* of all funds must benefit low, or moderate income persons, or neighborhoods.
- Up to 15% of grant may be used to provide public services.
- Up to 20% of grant may be used for program administration.

*without program income.

CDBG: Purpose

- ▶ The CDBG program works to ensure decent affordable housing, to provide services to the most vulnerable in our communities, and to create jobs through the expansion and retention of businesses.
- ▶ CDBG is an important tool for helping local governments tackle serious challenges facing their communities.
- ▶ The CDBG program has made a difference in the lives of millions of people and their communities across the Nation.

CDBG ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- Housing rehabilitation and new construction
- Down payment and closing cost assistance
- Demolition of abandoned and deteriorated structures
- Public facility improvements to community centers, libraries, parks, playgrounds, streets, and sidewalks
- Public services for youths and seniors, employment training, crime prevention, and fair housing
- Economic development assistance to create or retain jobs for low or moderate income persons

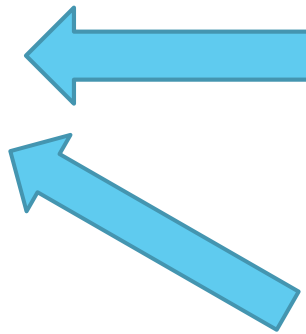
CDBG INELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- General city services, including operating and maintenance expenses
- Improvements to buildings providing general city services
- Equipment purchase
- Political and religious activities

NATIONAL OBJECTIVES

All CDBG-funded activities must meet
at least 1 National Objective:

- Benefit low or moderate persons, or neighborhoods

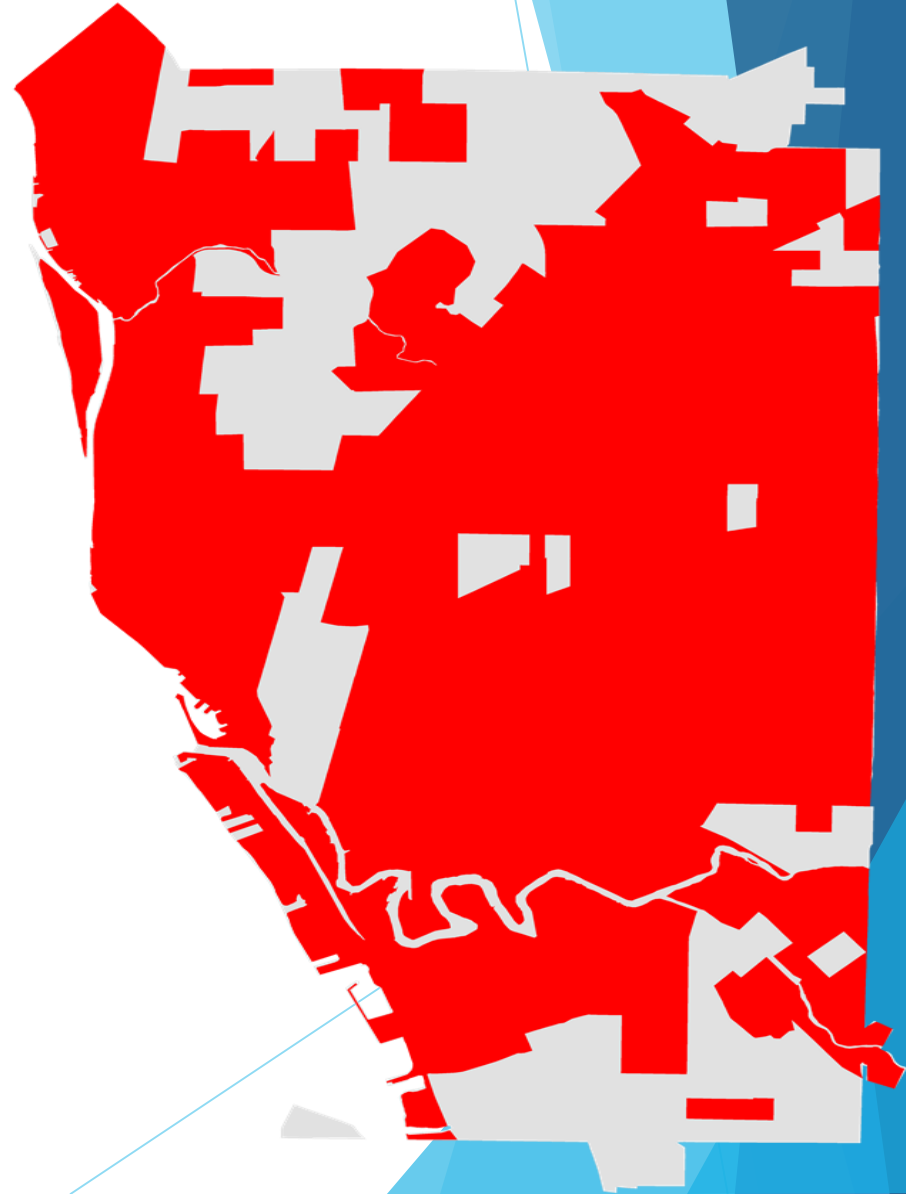


SEVENTY PERCENT
(70%) of CDBG
Grant amount
must
be utilized here.

- Prevent, or eliminate slums and blight
- Address an urgent need

CDBG ELIGIBLE AREAS

- Census block groups where at least 51% of the households are low or moderate income (LMI)
- Public facilities must be located in, or serve residents who live in LMI areas (LMA)



Year 45

inthe
MAKING



Community Roundtable & Formulation Hearing #1



Community Roundtable & Formulation Hearing #2



Review of Proposal
based on federal guidelines,
internal evaluations and
community feedback.



CDBG Allotments

\$14,706,335*

See handout Pages 2-19

Estimated \$624,706,335.00

Of HUD funding placed back into the Buffalo Community since 1975.



TOTAL	Approved PY 2018 \$14,777,706*	Proposed PY 2019 \$14,706,335*
Ec Dev.Program Delivery: page 2	\$0	\$50,000
Housing- page 3	\$3,007,451	\$2,907,451
Clearance- page 4	\$2,091,721	\$545,000
Community facilities- page 4-5	\$2,304,820	\$2,428,539*
Parks/Pools- page 6	\$912,500	\$912,500
Street resurfacing- pages 7-10	\$1,475,000	\$1,475,000
Sidewalk replacement- pages 11-14	\$1,175,218	\$1,175,218
Public services- pages 15-19	\$2,224,007	\$2,225,950
Planning and administration- page 19	\$1,759,470	\$2,941,267

* Program Income included

HOME Allotments

\$3,745,442*

See handout Page 20-21



TOTAL	\$3,745,442*
Substantial, New Construction/Rental Rehab (City)	\$2,293,542*
Substantial Rehab Owners	\$600,000
Construction/rehab (CHDOs)	\$451,140
CHDO Operating	\$100,000
Administration	\$300,760

* Program Income included from prior year*

ESG Allotments

\$1,160,583

See handout pages 22-24



TOTAL	\$1,160,583
Street Outreach	\$258,000
Shelter	\$277,486
Prevention	\$112,469
HMIS- HAWNY	\$57,200
Rapid Rehousing-Various	\$449,828
Administration	\$5,000

HOPWA Allotments

\$720,135

See handout page 24-25



TOTAL	\$720,135
TBRA- Tenant Based Rental Assistance	\$150,000
FBHSA- Facilities Based Housing Subsidy Assistance	\$151,200
STRMU-Short Term Rent, Mortgage Utility	\$50,400
PHP- Permanent Housing Placement	\$93,600
Supportive Services	\$227,690
Project Sponsor Admin	\$25,640
Administration	\$21,604

We welcome your Questions & Comments



Sign-in Sheet Reservations will be taken first.

Anonymous questions second.

Unreserved questions last.



Can we agree upon some Ground Rules?

- ✓ Always be respectful- tone and word usage
- ✓ One person speaking at a time- name & capacity
- ✓ 1-2 minutes per comment, or question



What's
next



Important Upcoming Dates

- Close of comment period- July 28, 2019
- HUD AAP submission deadline- August 15, 2019
- Start of program year- October 1, 2019
- End of program year- September 30, 2020
- All Program Information can be found at:
 - www.hud.gov- 24 CFR
 - www.hudexchange.info
 - http://www.ci.buffalo.ny.us/Home/City_Departments/Office_of_Strategic_Planning/Divisions/Housing



COMMENTS

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Attn: HUD Grants Program Manager

Or by e-mail: HUDAdministrator@city-buffalo.com

COMMENTS

- The Annual Action Plan Summary, Citizen Participation Plan and tonight's presentation, are posted on the city's website:

www.buffalony.gov



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Birth Certificate Request
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Active Departments (A-Z)

Administration, Finance, Policy & Urban Affairs
Assessment & Taxation Department
Buffalo Fire Department
Buffalo Police Department
Citizen Services
Community Services & Recreational Programming
Department of Public Works, Parks & Streets (DPW)
Human Resources
Law Department
Management Information Systems
Office of New Americans
Office of Strategic Planning
Parking Enforcement Division
Permit & Inspection Services

Mayor

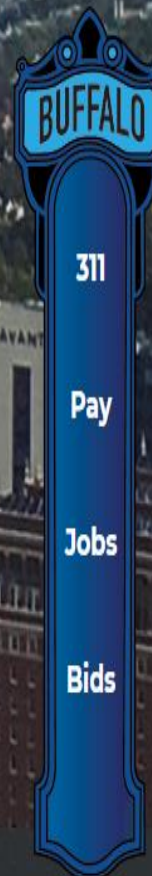
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Office of Strategic Planning

Description of Services

The Mayor's Office of Strategic Planning, a division within the City's Executive Department, coordinates economic development activities throughout the City of Buffalo. The Office is subdivided into four divisions: Development, Planning & Zoning, Real Estate, and Environmental Affairs. The Division of Development works directly with the business community and real estate developers. The Division of Real Estate handles real estate transactions related to City-owned property, including the sale of real property owned by the City of Buffalo, including vacant lots, residential structures, and capital assets such as decommissioned schools and fire houses. The Division of Planning & Zoning oversees the administration of the City's development regulatory boards (Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and Historic Preservation Board) and engages the community in planning initiatives. The Division of Environmental Affairs handles matters related to state and federal environmental review, implementation of state and federal environmental land use laws, and oversees the Environmental Management Commission.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION

Hon. Byron W. Brown

Mayor of The City of Buffalo





Annual Action Plan Amendments

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Two Triggering Events:

#1 Change in allocation priorities, or the method of distributing funds; to carry out an activity using funds from any program covered by the Consolidated Plan (including program income) not previously described in the Action Plan;

#2 Or to change the purpose scope, location and/or beneficiaries of the activity.



Annual Action Plan Amendments

Two Determination Criteria:

#1 Substantial change occurs when the cumulative effect of an activity's budget amount is increased or decreased by more than twenty-five percent (25%)

#2 Or when interim financing such as float loans are provided.



Annual Action Plan Amendments

A Substantial Amendment is **NOT**:

#1 using funds from unencumbered project balances from one year to another year for similar activities within the same target area.

#2 Nor is it transferring funds within the same HUD-eligible categories.



Annual Action Plan Amendments

30 days- in writing



**PUBLIC
COMMENT
PERIOD**

June 27-July 28, 2019

Annual Action Plan

Amendment Proposal- p.2-4

- ▶ City of Buffalo proposes to move **\$139,498** of year YR40, 41, 42 and 44 (year 2014-2016, and 2018) left over balances from CDBG public service agencies



Buffalo Urban League for programming at the C.R.U.C.I.A.L. building on the East side of Buffalo.

Annual Action Plan Amendment Proposal p.5

- ▶ City of Buffalo proposes to move **\$36,000** of CDBG Unallocated Program Income.



Metro CDC (Delavan-Grider Center) to hire a new Operations Director in an effort to build capacity at the site.

Annual Action Plan

Amendment Proposal p.6

- ▶ City of Buffalo proposes to move **\$139,250.67** of funds from the YR41 (2015) CDBG Homebuyer/Owner Rehab- Citywide line



Year 41 (2015)
Community Based
Organizations (CBO)
Program Delivery
line, to help fulfill
current contracts
to aid the
administration of the
Housing Assistance
Programs.

Annual Action Plan

Amendment Proposal p.6-8

- ▶ City of Buffalo proposes to move **\$91,027** of funds from the YR41, 42 43,44 (2015-2018) remaining balances from various ESG activities.



Year 44 (2015)
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THANK YOU FOR STAYING FOR THE AMENDMENT PORTION OF THIS HEARING

Hon. Byron W. Brown

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